I am a Degenerate  
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I am a Degenerate,  
because my skin is White.  
I do not believe this is right.

I am not Hispanic,  
I am not Black.  
Therefore I give and give  
But receive nothing back.

I strive to learn,  
and I am not disruptive.  
I volunteer and have school spirit.

And for what?  
Good people do not get anything.  
Only poor, so called minorities can receive.

I am not Native American,  
I am not a former slave.  
I do not have a penis,  
I do not live in a cave.

I am a well behaved   
Female.  
With white skin.  
And “enemy blood”.

I have not committed a crime or a felon,  
therefore I cannot win.  
“They” do not give grants and scholarships,  
to normal, respectable people.

All I want is recognition in the form of money,  
I am too good to get any.  
I am a good girl who is now sick of acting as sweet as honey.

I am a Degenerate for the way I think.  
Example:

I think this class is bullcrap.  
No offense but Blacks are not the only people to be enslaved and beaten.  
They had it easy compared to people in other cultures.  
They were beaten for stealing.  
Big whoop!

In Pakistan women are stoned to death for having their ankles show.  
In communist countries people who steal food get their arms chopped off.  
In Africa children are killed while they sneak out of their villages to go to school.  
And this class teaches about Black Slaves?

I am a degenerate for my thoughts like:  
Ethnic Relations should teach kids about different ethnicities of the world.  
The people here are indigent in histories of other countries.  
Example: they thought Mexicans blew up the World Trade Center.

People here already know about slaves and immigrants.  
Their history is all around them.  
What they don’t know about are the relationships of the world.

Example:   
All I have learned in this class is how,  
to hate rich white people.  
Why?

The rich whites have given the immigrants and the slaves,  
Freedom.  
Immigrants came to this country to escape their own.  
If the Blacks had stayed in Africa they would be fighting for their lives every day.  
If not for the rich white people,  
none of us would be here in the United States.  
Rich whites founded this country.

I am a degenerate.  
Because I speak my mind.  
And I am sick of being Kind.